

contain allowable subject matter. The subject matter of allowable claim 4 has been added to claim 1. Thus, all pending claims are now in condition for allowance.

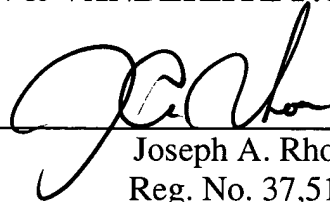
Finally, the Office Action in paragraph 6 contends that claims 7 and 12 are substantial duplicates. This contention is respectfully traversed. Claim 7 requires a "colorant portion *comprising*" a list of ingredients, whereas claim 12 calls for a "colorant portion *consisting essentially of*" a list of ingredients. The Examiner will appreciate the significant difference between the use of these two phrases (i.e., comprising vs. consisting essentially of). Thus, it is respectfully requested that the objection to claim 12 be withdrawn.

If any minor matter remains to be resolved, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned with regard to the same.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel non-elected claims 27-31, without prejudice in view of the
Restriction Requirement.

Please also cancel claim 4.

1. (Amended) A method of making glass, the method comprising:
processing a molten glass batch including Se, including adding Epsom salt to the
batch in an amount sufficient to reduce Se burnoff during melting and/or processing, in
order to form a resulting glass product comprising SiO₂ and Se, [in a manner]so that the
resulting glass product retains at least 30% of the Se originally present prior to melting.

5. (Amended) The method of claim [4]1, wherein the Epsom salt comprises
MgSO₄ x 7H₂O.

6. (Amended) The method of claim [4]1, further comprising adding the Epsom
salt to the batch in an amount of from 0.1 to 2.0% by weight.